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Transmitted herewith for filing is the non-provisional utility patent application entitled:
HYDRODYNAMIC BEARING AND DISC ROTATION APPARATUS USING THE SAME
which is:

an Original; or
a Continuation, Divisional, or Continuation-in-part (CIP)
of prior Application No. filed.

Anticipated Group/Art Unit: or Class , Subclass .

This non-provisional patent application is based on Provisional Patent Application No. ,
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Enclosed are:

- Specification (including Abstract) and claims: 16 pages (Japanese text).
- 16 sheets of drawings (formal).
- Application Data Sheet.
- Unexecuted Declaration (copy).
- Copy of Declaration from prior application.
- Separate Power of Attorney (including 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, if applicable).
- Microfiche computer program (Appendix).
- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission, including:
- Computer readable copy Paper Copy Verified Statement.
- Under PTO-1595 Cover Sheet, an assignment of the invention
- Name of Assignee: Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.
- Certified copy(ies) of Application No(s). filed is/are filed:
 herewith or in prior application .

- Applicant(s), by its/their undersigned attorney, claim(s) Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 as an Independent Inventor, or a Small Business Concern, or a Non-Profit Organization.
- Preliminary Amendment.
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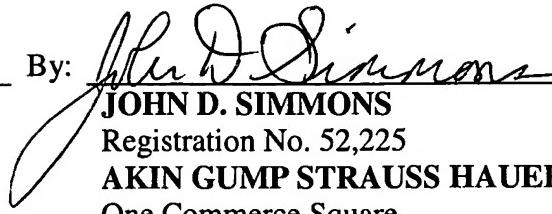
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